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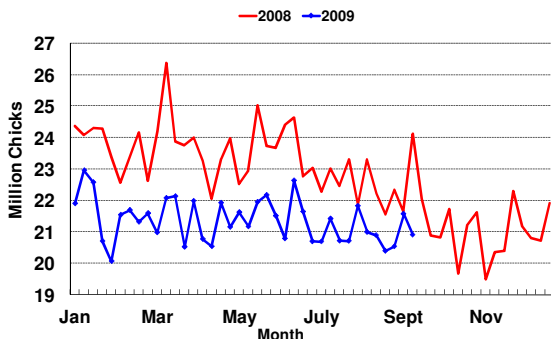
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 13 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.9 million during the week ending September 19, 2009. Placements were down 13 percent from the comparable week in 2008 and down 3 percent from the previous week.

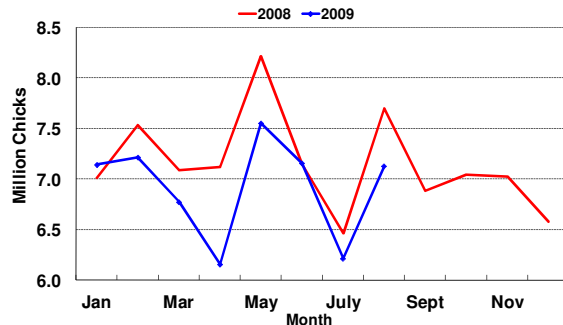
Arkansas hatcheries set 22.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending September 19, 2009, down 3 percent from the same period last year and down 3 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.13 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during August 2009, down 7 percent from August 2008.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2008-2009



U. S. Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks Placed For Domestic Hatchery Supply Flocks, 2008-2009



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, August 22, 2009 - September 19, 2009

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	22-Aug	29-Aug	5-Sep	12-Sep	19-Sep	22-Aug	29-Aug	5-Sep	12-Sep	19-Sep
Alabama	27,700	28,722	27,662	27,470 *	27,613	20,234	20,290	20,875	19,669 *	20,598
Arkansas	23,172	23,380 *	22,903	23,018	22,377	20,895	20,394	20,538	21,575	20,907
Delaware	3,745	3,365	3,478	3,289 *	3,218	4,696	4,448	4,291	5,153 *	4,335
Florida	885	899	901	900	902	727	729	650	648	661
Georgia	31,587	31,839 *	31,504	30,922 *	29,307	26,504	25,202	27,066	26,849 *	26,589
Kentucky	7,532	7,626 *	7,001	7,360	7,025	6,486	6,516	6,657	6,665	6,511
Louisiana	3,455	3,424	3,409	3,394	3,379	3,003	3,020	3,016	2,953	2,996
Maryland	8,957	8,854	8,132	8,180	7,786	6,277	6,661	6,024	5,256 *	6,387
Mississippi	18,218	17,833	17,526	17,872	17,563	16,218	16,298	16,113	15,799 *	15,456
N. Carolina	18,564	18,452 *	17,828	16,744	17,408	15,684	14,996	15,434	15,496	15,330
Oklahoma	7,025	6,772 *	6,879	6,460 *	6,674	4,499	4,953	4,401	4,824 *	4,934
Pennsylvania	3,709	4,039	4,020 *	3,890 *	3,856	3,207	3,052	2,981 *	2,983 *	3,263
S. Carolina	5,758	5,533	5,274	5,783	5,487	4,827	5,130	4,715	4,591	4,974
Texas	14,832	14,836	14,157	14,111	13,591	13,125	12,890	13,094	12,861	12,689
Virginia	6,089	6,100	6,111	5,918	5,792	4,789	4,721	5,552	5,172	4,653
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,775	18,389	18,395	17,618 *	17,848	15,308	16,398	15,258 *	15,273 *	15,723
19 State Total	200,003	200,063 *	195,180 *	192,929 *	189,826	166,479	165,698	166,665 *	165,767 *	166,006
Prev. Year Total	206,837	204,988	201,630	197,833	193,569	170,273	170,083	170,363	170,671	168,148
% of Prev. Year	97	98	97	98	98	98	97	98	97	99

* Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 190 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 19, 2009. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 19, 2009. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through September 19, 2009 were 6.38 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.